

January 29, 2019

Ms. Marlene Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: City of Aliso Viejo Wireless Emergency Alert Test – PS Docket No. 15-91

Dear Secretary Dortch:

This letter amends the Waiver Request letter that we submitted on January 3, 2019 which was to request a limited waiver of the Commission's Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) rules to permit Participating Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) Providers to participate in a WEA test conducted by the City of Aliso Viejo.

As amended, and if approved, the City of Aliso Viejo requests to amend the test date to Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time. The test area would be targeted to the City of Aliso Viejo. The text of the test will read as follows: Aliso Viejo Emergency Alert TEST. No action required. Details and feedback www.cityofalisoviejo.com.

The purpose of conducting the test at this time is to ensure that public officials in Aliso Viejo have a clear understanding of how alerts will perform in our community. WEA is a critical tool to reach our 50,000 residents as well as visitors who most likely have not subscribed to our county's emergency alert system. Aliso Viejo plans on conducting this test simultaneous with our neighboring City of Laguna Beach, who is also submitting a WEA wavier.

Aliso Viejo faces several natural hazards including wildfire in the wildland area adjacent to the west side of the city, which is classified as a Cal Fire Very High Fire Severity Zone (VHFSZ). Because of the years of drought, the fire threat is higher-than-average. In the event of a wildfire, evacuations in Aliso Viejo would be necessary and WEA is a vital tool in communicating life safety information with our residents and visitors. Because of the threats, it is critical that we test the system now, rather than waiting until May 2019 for the end-to-end testing. Additionally, we want our citizen's to be familiar with the format of a WEA message. For these reasons, we feel it is necessary to conduct a WEA test sooner than later.

In advance of the test, we will be conducting considerable public outreach to our community to inform them of the test. This outreach will include: press releases, social media posts (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram,

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CITY CLERK Mitzi Ortiz, MMC Nextdoor), Nixle text messages, city website posts, and outreach through our schools, churches, and Chamber of Commerce.

We have developed a short, 4-question survey for citizens to fill out following the test, in order to capture data about the location reach, cell carrier, and the time they received the alert. We are happy to share the results of this survey with FEMA and the FCC.

The City of Aliso Viejo has not only collaborated and coordinated with the Commercial Mobile Service (CMS) providers, but also with our Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), neighboring cities and their PSAPs, emergency response organizations, and the County's Operational Area.

We appreciate the opportunity to partner with the FCC and FEMA on this opportunity to test the WEA functionality in the City of Aliso Viejo.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact our Emergency Manager at slimones@ocsd.org or (949) 425-2598.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

David Doyle City Manager

City of Aliso Viejo